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Nov 29—46

MISCELLANEOUS.

From the Lady's Book.

THE SOFT ANSWER.

BY T. S. ANTHONY.

"I'll give him law to his heart's con-
tent, the scoundrel!" said Mr. Singleton,
walking backwards and forwards, in a
state of angry excitement.

"Don't call harsh names, Mr. Single-
ton," said Lawyer Trueman, looking up
from the mass of papers before him, and
smiling, in a quiet benevolent way, that
was peculiar to him.

"Every man should be known by his
true name. Williams is a scoundrel, and
so he ought to be called!" responded the
client, with increased warmth.

"Did you ever do a reasonable thing in
your life, when you were angry?" asked
Mr. Trueman, whose age and respecta-
bility gave him the license to speak thus
freely to his young friend, for whom he
was endeavoring to arrange some business
difficulty with a former partner.

"I can't say that I ever did, Mr. True-
man. But now, I have good reason for
being angry; and the language I use in re-
ference to Williams is but the expression
of a sober and rational conviction," replied
Singleton, a little more calmly.

"Did you pronounce him a scoundrel
before you received his reply to your last
letter," asked Mr. Trueman.

"No, I did not. But that letter confirm-
ed my previously formed impressions of his
character."

"But I cannot find in that letter any evi-
dence proving your late partner to be a dis-
honest man. He will not agree to your pro-
posed mode of settlement, because he does
not see it to be the most proper way."

"He won't agree to it, because it is an
honest and equitable method of settlement,
that is all! He wants to overreach me, and
is determined to do so if he can!" responded
Mr. Singleton, still excited.

"There you are decidedly wrong," said
the lawyer. "You have both allowed your-
selves to become angry, and are both un-
reasonable, and, if I must speak plainly,
I think you the most unreasonable in the
present case. Two angry men can never set-
tle any business properly. You have very
unnecessarily increased the difficulties in
the way of a speedy settlement, by writ-
ing Mr. Williams an angry letter, which he
has responded to in a like unhappy temper.
Now, if I am to settle this business for you,
I must write all letters that pass to Mr.
Williams in future."

"But how can you properly express my
views and feelings?"

"That I do not wish to do, if your views
and feelings are to remain as they now are,
for any thing like an adjustment of the
difficulties under such circumstances, I should
consider hopeless," replied Mr. Trueman.

"Well, let me answer this letter, and af-
ter that, I promise that you shall have your
own way."

"No, I shall consent to no such thing.
It is the reply to that letter which is to
modify the negotiation for a settlement in such
a way as to bring success or failure; and I
have no idea of allowing you, in the present
state of your mind, to write such a one as
will most assuredly defeat an amicable ar-
rangement."

Singleton paused for some time, before
making a reply. He had been forming in
his mind a most cutting and bitter rejoinder
to the letter just alluded to, and he was
very desirous that Mr. Williams should
have the benefit of knowing that he thought
him a "tricky and deliberate scoundrel,"
with other opinions of a similar character.

"Indeed I must write this letter, Mr.
Trueman," he said. "There are some
things that I want to say to him, that I
know you won't write. You don't seem to
consider the position in which he has
placed me by that letter, nor what is obli-
gatory upon me as a man of honor. I never
allow any man to reflect upon me, di-
rectly or indirectly, without a prompt re-
sponse."

"There is, in the Bible," said Mr. True-
man, "a passage that is perfectly applica-
ble in the present case. It is this—A soft
answer turneth away wrath, but grievous
words stir up anger. I have found this pre-
cept, in a life that has numbered more than
double your years, to be one that may be
safely and honorably adopted, in all cases.

You blame Mr. Williams for writing you
an angry letter, and are indignant at certain
expressions contained therein. Now, is it
any more right for you to write an angry
letter, with cutting epithets, than it is for
him?"

"But, Mr. Trueman—"

"I do assure you, my young friend,"
said the lawyer, interrupting him, "that
I am acting in this case for your benefit,
and not for my own; and, as your legal
adviser, you must submit to my judgment,
or I cannot consent to go on."

"If I will promise not to use any harsh
language, will you not consent to let me
write the letter?" urged the client.

"You and I, in the present state of
your mind, could not possibly come at the
same conclusion in reference to what is
harsh and what is mild," said Mr. True-
man, "Therefore, I cannot consent that
you shall write one word of the proposed
reply. I must write it."

"Well, I suppose, then, I shall have to
submit. When will it be ready?"

"Come this afternoon, and I will give
you the draft, which you can copy and
sign."

In the afternoon Mr. Singleton came,
and received the letter prepared by Mr.
Trueman. It ran thus, after the date and
formal address.

"I regret that my proposition did not
meet your approval. The mode of settle-
ment which I suggested was the result of
a careful consideration of our mutual inter-
ests. Be kind enough to suggest to Mr.
Trueman, my lawyer, any plan which you
think will lead to an early and amicable
adjustment of our business. You may re-
ly upon my consent to it, if it meets his
approbation."

"Is it possible, Mr. Trueman, that you
expect me to sign such a cringing letter as
that!" said Mr. Singleton, throwing it
down, and walking backwards and for-
wards with great irritation of manner.

"Well, what is your objection to it," re-
plied Mr. Trueman, mildly, for he was
prepared for just such an exhibition of
feeling.

"Objection! How can you ask such a
question? Am I to go on my knees to
him and beg him to do me justice? No! I
will sacrifice every cent I've got in the
world first, the scoundrel!"

"You wish to have your business set-
tled, do you not?" asked Mr. Trueman,
looking him steadily in the face.

"Of course I do!—Honorably settled."

"Well, let me hear what you mean by
an honorable settlement?"

"Why I mean—"

The young man hesitated a moment, and
Mr. Trueman said,

"You mean a settlement in which your
interest shall be equally considered with
that of Mr. Williams."

"Yes, certainly. And that—"

"And that," continued Mr. Trueman,
"Mr. Williams, in the settlement, shall
consider and treat you as a gentleman."

"Certainly I do. But that is more than
he has done!"

"Well, never mind. Let what is past go
for as much as it is worth. The principal
point of action is in the present."

"But I'll never send that mean, cringing
letter, though."

"You mistake its whole tenor; I do as-
sure you, Mr. Singleton. You have al-
lowed your angry feelings to blind you.
You, certainly, carefully considered, before
you adopted it, the proposed basis of a set-
tlement, did you not?"

"Of course I did."

"So the letter which I have prepared for
you states. Now, as an honest and hon-
orable man, you are, I am sure, willing to
grant to him the same privilege which you
asked for yourself, viz: that of proposing
a plan of settlement. Your proposition
does not seem to please him: now it is
but fair that he should be invited to state
how he wishes the settlement to be made.
And in giving such an invitation, a gentle-
man should use gentlemanly language."

"But, he don't deserve to be treated like
a gentleman. In fact, he has no claim to
the title," said the young man.

"If he has none, as you say, you pro-
fess to be a gentleman, and all gentlemen
should prove by their actions and their
words that they are gentlemen."

"I can't say that I am convinced by
what you say, but, as you seem so bent
on having it your own way, why, here,
let me copy the thing and sign it," said the
young man, suddenly changing his man-
ner.

"There now," he added, passing across
the table the brief letter he had copied; "I
suppose he'll think me a low-spirited fel-
low, after he gets that. But he's mistak-
en. After it's all over, I'll take good care
to tell him, that it didn't contain my senti-
ments!"

Mr. Trueman smiled as he took the let-
ter, and went on to fold and direct it.

"Come to-morrow afternoon, and I think
we'll have things in a pretty fair way," he
said, looking up with his usual pleasant
smile, as he finished the direction of the
letter.

"Good afternoon, Mr. Singleton," he
said, as that gentleman entered his office on
the succeeding day.

"Good afternoon," responded the young
man. "Well, have you heard from that
milk and water letter of yours? I can't
call it mine."

"Yes, here is the answer. Take a seat,
and I will read it to you," said the old
gentleman.

"Well, let's hear it."

"DEAR GEORGE—I have your kind,
reasonable, and gentlemanly note of yester-
day, in reply to my harsh, unreasonable,
and ungentlemanly one of the day before.
We have both been playing the fool; but

you are ahead of me in becoming sane. I
have examined, since I got your note,
more carefully, the tenor of your proposi-
tion for a settlement, and it meets my views
precisely. My foolish anger kept me from
seeing it before. Let our mutual friend,
Mr. Trueman, arrange the matter according
to the plan mentioned, and I shall heartily
acquiesce. Yours, &c."

"He never wrote that letter in the world,"
exclaimed Singleton, starting to his feet.

"You know his writing, I presume,"
said Mr. Trueman, handing him the letter.

"It's Thomas Williams' own hand, as I
live!" ejaculated Singleton, on glancing at
the letter. "My old friend, Thomas Wil-
liams, the best natured fellow in the world!"
he continued, his feelings undergoing a sud-
den and entire revolution. "What a fool I
have been!"

"And what a fool I have been!" said
Thomas Williams, advancing from an ad-
joining room, at the same time extending
his hand towards Singleton.

"God bless you, my old friend!" ex-
claimed Singleton, grasping his hand. "Why
what has been the matter with us both?"

"My young friends," said old Mr. True-
man, one of the kindest hearted men in the
world, rising and advancing towards them.

"I have known you long, and have always
esteemed you both. This pleasant meeting
and reconciliation, you perceive, is of my
arrangement. Now let me give you a pre-
cept that will both make friends and keep
friends. It has been my motto through life;
and I don't know that I have an enemy in
the world."

"A soft answer turneth away wrath, but
grievous words stir up anger."

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arites, by Moses, to the Institution of the
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sive; with a Full Account of the Origin,
Progress, and Present Prospects of the
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R. Pleasants. Philadelphia: Griffin and
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tiquity; Chapter III, Wine an Agricultural
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